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**HOUSE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION No. _____**

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

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Whereas, Charles "Bud" Meeks graduated from Central High School in Fort Wayne in 1954;

Whereas, Upon graduation, Bud enlisted in the United States Navy, where he served until 1958;

Whereas, In 1955, Bud became betrothed to the love of his life, Marjorie Crews, and she presented him with his loving son, Brian, on December 17, 1960;

Whereas, From 1975 to 1982, Bud served as the Sheriff of Allen County. During this time, he also attended and graduated from the FBI National Police Academy;

Whereas, In 1990, Bud retired from the Indiana Air Guard's 122nd Tactical Fighter Wing at Fort Wayne International Airport as a Lieutenant Colonel with over 24 years of service;

Whereas, Later in life, Bud became the Executive Director of the National Sheriffs Association in Washington, D.C., served as advisor to three Presidents on law enforcement issues, and during his distinguished tenure, established the National Sheriffs' Institute;

Whereas, As a state senator, constituents were Bud's top



priority. A believer in representative government, he relied on constituent feedback to formulate legislation. Throughout his service, Bud constantly pursued legislation beneficial to Northeast Indiana;

Whereas, Even toward the end of his life, Bud embraced every opportunity to teach young people the value of democracy. For six years, he instructed hundreds of pages on the details of the legislative process, often entertaining them with humorous anecdotes;

Whereas, Bud was diagnosed with colon cancer in 2002 and underwent surgery in November 2002 and January 2004. Throughout his treatment, Bud remained optimistic and hoped to return to the Senate once again to serve the people;

Whereas, As a beloved statesman and teacher, Senator Charles "Bud" Meeks leaves an indelible mark on the people he met and the lives he touched; and

Whereas, Senator Charles "Bud" Meeks' accomplishments are inspiring to us all, and he will be missed by everyone who had the privilege of knowing him. He is survived by his wife, Marjorie, his son, Brian, grandchildren Chad, Sarah, and Roy, and brothers Fred and Senator Robert Meeks: Therefore,

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives
of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana,
the Senate concurring:*

1 SECTION 1. That the members of the Indiana General Assembly
2 memorialize and honor the life of Senator Charles "Bud" Meeks by
3 urging the Allen County Commissioners to rename the Allen County
4 Criminal Justice Center as the Charles B. Meeks Criminal Justice
5 Center.

6 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
7 Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to Marjorie Meeks,
8 state senator Robert Meeks and his family, Fred Meeks and his family,
9 Brian Meeks and his family, and the Allen County Commissioners.

